



District of Columbia  
Office of the State Superintendent of Education

# It Takes a City: DC Does it Best!

## May 1-2, 2015

### CALL FOR PROPOSALS

The District of Columbia Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE) is now accepting proposals from researchers and practitioners for It Takes a City: DC Does it Best! It is this school year's final LEA Institute. Join OSSE at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center, May 1-2, 2015, for this two-day event designed to reflect on high quality and innovative best practices in public education. School staff will walk away with new teaching strategies for success in improving outcomes for students in the District, while parents and families will gain new strategies for supporting their children in preparing for college and careers.

National practitioners and researchers are invited to provide participants with the latest innovations in the field, including evidence- and research-based practices. Local practitioners are also invited to share evidence-based strategies and practices they have found success with in serving DC students.

Proposals are invited to address the following strands of research:

- Early Childhood Education;
- Special Populations (instruction for students with disabilities and English Language Learners, related service delivery, secondary transition, etc.);
- Instruction and the Common Core;
- STEM and the Next Generation Science Standards;
- Positive Behavior Supports;
- Parent and Family Engagement (including sessions for parents/families, as well as LEA staff); and
- Educator Effectiveness.

The criteria for the proposals will be evaluated according to the following standards:

- Rationale for Presentation;
- Participant Outcomes;
- Relevance to Learners, Families, and/or Educators of Diverse Backgrounds; and
- Evidence of Effectiveness.

To be considered, completed proposals must be submitted by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Standard Time (EST), Friday, March 20, 2015. Presenters will be notified of their selection no later than Friday, March 27, 2015. The State Institute Committee will review proposals. The following sessions will be given preference: (a) evidence- and/or research-based practices, (b) emergence of ideas, (c) creative trend research, and (d) strategic solutions to current issues that have the potential of yielding high results. Proposals should encourage active learning and audience engagement, leaving time for discussion and interaction.

Be a part of the success! Submit your proposal at:  
<http://osse.dc.gov/node/980692>.

For more information, please contact the OSSE Teaching and Learning staff at [osse.tta@dc.gov](mailto:osse.tta@dc.gov) or 202-724-7878.

There is no registration cost associated with this conference for presenters or participants.



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